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Review of the manuscript "Stories for Change: Development of a diabetes Digital Storytelling Intervention for Refugees and Immigrants to Minnesota using Qualitative Methods” submitted to BMC Public Health.

Many thanks for giving me the opportunity to read and review your interesting and timely manuscript on storytelling as a tool for diabetes care. The community-based participatory research has many strengths. I only have a few suggestions for possible improvements:

1. Data collection, p8, row 164-169: Please give examples on formulated questions and/ or upload the focus group moderator guide as an additional file.

2. Focus groups: Please describe the size of each focus group

3. Time frame: Please provide information on when the study was conducted

4. Data analysis, p9, row 182: "Data analysis was done by a team…". Is this team the authors, or other academic and community partners? How many?

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